The Parish Council of Lower Peover

Minutes of the meeting held at Lower Peover School on Wed Nov 30th 2016 @ 7:30pm

This meeting had been postponed from 16th Nov as the Clerk had been ill and unable to provide necessary information.

1. Police Report:

No information or representative present.

2. Comments & questions from the public:

One member of the public attended, Mr. Peter Thomas, who had expressed disappointment at the lack of attendance at a Speedwatch training course held recently in Over Peover, by any other residents from Lower Peover. It was explained that none of the Councillors had been made aware of the date because the Clerk was ill. Discussion took place about the aims and means of the scheme, and that LPPC currently shared a speed gun with Plumley PC which we could access. Mr. Thomas added that the training course lasted about half an hour and provided his telephone number so that the Clerk could liase with him. The Clerk has names of interested volunteers and Mr Thomas will co-ordinate future meetings with her and the training officer.

Action: Louise Corlett, Chairperson, (LC) to advertise training course via Facebook

Clerk to liase with Mr Thomas

Secondly, Mr Thomas asked if there was any information about the intended development off Middlewich Road adjacent to Holly Tree Drive. He had heard rumours that the plot had changed owners and had seen machine activity on site. He was concerned that access might be taken through Holly Tree Drive which had previously been denied. LC explained that LPPC had no further information, and that the owners as understood, had been invited to a Parish Council meeting to update LPPC and the public but owing to illness this had not taken place. **She would contact the Clerk.**

Action: Clerk to find out who is the current owner of the site in order to be certain that all correspondence is getting to the appropriate person and to discuss possibility of a further public meeting.

3. Apologies for absence

These were received from Councillor George Walton, Councillor Christine Newton and Mr. Tracy Johnson, a prospective co-opted councillor.

Mr Johnson is to be invited to the next meeting. Action LC

4. Minutes of meeting 14.09.16

These were read, approved and signed.

Matters arising, not on the agenda:

Councillor Kendall (RK) commented that those areas which are in Cheshire West and Chester (CWAC) Council have introduced 50 mph speed restrictions in parts of Lower Peover, and Cheshire East have not. Discussion took place about potholes,

removal of catseyes, poor road markings, and would like to make Cheshire East aware of their concerns.

Action: Clerk to contact Councillor George Walton with details.

Councillor Robert Taylor (RT) asked if anyone knew when the next Airport meeting would be but nobody knew. Action: Clerk to find out.

5. News from Unitary Authority Councillors:

None available.

6. Highways and Footpaths:

Walk to school Funding -no up to date information available.

Dumping of rubble-footpath FP5 -no up to date information available, but it was noted that the activity continues and there are concerns still about the type of material dumped, the degrading-if not blocking-of the footpath, the impact the vehicles are having on the roads and verges in Foxcovert Lane and Free Green Lane.

Action: LC to contact Environment agency and Clerk to continue enquiries as to the legality of this dumping.

Fire Hydrant locations:

Following a recent incident in Free Green Lane when the Fire Brigade had to ask local residents where the nearest fire hydrants were located, it was decided that the Parish Council would make every effort to locate them and make the information readily available via a map on the website and the Council notice board, both for residents and the Fire Service.

Action LC via Facebook and email to ask residents if they know the locations of any fire hydrants in the village to contact LPPC, also to bring this to the attention of Cllrs Mark Stocks and George Walton for advice/assistance Action: Clerk to bring a paper map of the village to the next meeting to mark them on it.

Action: all councillors to look for the hydrant locations

Hedges & verges:

The Highways Dept. have not cut any verges in Lower Peover this summer so at a previous council meeting it was decided that LPPC would fund a contractor to cut the verges in certain areas where it felt the overgrown verges were a hazard to visibility. By the time a contractor had been sought and viewed the areas of concern his view was that it would be better to consider this next spring as with winter coming lots of the vegetation is dying down and many landowners are cutting their hedges and with it mostly the verges too.

Cllr Geake (SG) added that the hedges along Foxcovert Lane from the bridge to just short of Mill Lane have not been cut.

Action: Clerk to put this item on the agenda for early 2017 with a view to arranging a summer cut.

Speedwatch:

Discussed under point 2.

7. Planning Applications:

None had been received via the Clerk to the Councillors.

It was decided to ask the Clerk for reference numbers of any outstanding applications so that they can be viewed online by most councillors. A decision can then be made to decide if an extraordinary meeting should be called. **Action LC to contact the Clerk**. RK added that the financial item must be dealt with by then.

Neighbourhood Plan:

The Clerk has a list of those residents who wish to take part. She had said that a Parish Councillor is required. Also that if the plan is submitted to either Council the other will accept it.

Action LC to invite Mr. Tracey to be involved, and the Clerk to contact those interested parties.

8. Housekeeping & maintenance:

Fingerpost sign- this has not been reinstated. None of the Councillors know where it is.

Action: Clerk to find out its location and reinstatement plan.

AED training-the device is ready. Councillor Taylor (RT) said he is prepared to contact Adrian Rees the training organiser to arrange a training session in LP, possibly before a council meeting.

Action: RT to liaise and report back.

Broadband:

LC reported that it appears to be stable in her experience. She asked if another cabinet had been installed between Crown Lane and Plumley Moor Rd.

Action: Clerk to check up.

9. Fracking:

No news reported or available.

<u>Inovyn report:</u>

Not available.

Action: Clerk to provide copies if available.

10. Matters for the next agenda:

Finances

Updates re the Speedwatch training courses

Updates re the AED training date

Development off Middlewich Road current details

Dumping of rubble by footpath FP5

Fire Hydrant locations

Update re Neighbourhood plan

Update re 'Walk to school' funding

Fingerpost sign information

Broadband

The meeting ended at 9.15 pm